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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

**BOX RCE**  
Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/437,246
Confirmation Number	7699 <i>38/RCE</i>
Filing Date	November 10, 1999 <i>78 Sept 2000</i>
First Named Inventor	Satoshi SHINADA <i>6-24-03</i>
Group Art Unit	2861
Examiner Name	NGHIEM, M.
Matter Number	Q56708
Title	INK JET PRINTING APPARATUS AND INK CARTRIDGE

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on December 23, 2003
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Petition for Extension of Time
  - v.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$750.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

**SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY**

Name Kelly G. Hyndman Registration No. 39,234

Signature K. G. Hyndman Date February 14, 2003